

TOWN OF HAMPTON
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MINUTES SEPTEMBER 22, 2008

PRESENT: William Lally, Chairman
James Workman
Richard Nichols
Richard Bateman
Frederick Welch, Town Manager
Attorney Mark Gearreald, Town Attorney

REGRETS: Richard Griffin, Vice Chairman

7:00 PM

Non-Public meeting under RSA 91-A:3, II (a) and (c) Grievance Hearing

Chairman Lally called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

Chairman Lally introduced those in attendance.

I. Public Comment Period – No comment.

II. Announcements and Community Calendar

Mr. Bateman had the pleasure of attending the helicopter landing at the Ashworth by the Dartmouth Hitchcock Air Response Team.

Mr. Workman announced that Alan Jones from the Public Works Department has achieved the status of Road Scholar II. This is a program run through DOT and UNH requiring over 50 hours of training. Well done Alan, surely the Town will benefit from this knowledge.

Mr. Lally also acknowledged and congratulated Alan Jones.

III. Appointments

1. Chief of Police Department Update

Mr. Sullivan summarized his report to the Board. Discussing the following topics: major events of the summer went well, concerns with noise and over serving at establishments on

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the beach, stats for the summer, Alex Reno replaced Michael Verrocchi as School Resource Officer at Junior High, operating within budget requirements, substantial training and lastly 911.

General questions from the Board: Mr. Workman asked about opportunities to host events and in return receive free training. Mr. Sullivan said yes that those opportunities do exist and that they do their best to advertise any training events. Mr. Lally pointed out that other departments do the same thing so it is becoming harder to host events and receive free training in return.

2. Ben Moore

Mr. Moore, Locke Road, here as Trustee of Historical Society to give update on membership challenge that was mentioned early last year. Mr. Moore reminded residents that the challenge will reward a \$25,000 donation to the organization with the highest membership growth. The Historical Society is a separate entity from the Town but does work with the Town. They have had a great year with the dedication of the barn, beach tourist cabin, renovated two rooms in the museum, donations to the collection, and eagle scout project by Dan Argue who did sidewalk work between fire museum and barn.

In regards to the challenge to date there has been an increase of 125 members. Unfortunately, no updates are given so there is no way of knowing where you stand. A goal of 40% increase was set which equates to 185 new members. Therefore the Historical Society is in need of 60 more new members with only 6 weeks to go. Mr. Moore would encourage the community to support the Historical Society by becoming members. Forms are available at the Town Office, the Museum, or at the website hamptonhistoricalsociety.org. Lastly, there is a raffle and discounted family membership.

General questions from the Board: No questions from the Board.

IV. Minutes – September 15, 2008

Page One. Under Announcements and Community Calendar. Last sentence change the word “nicest” to the “most understanding” and add “and” before the word “for”.

Mr. Bateman MOTIONED to accept of the minutes of September 15, 2008 as amended. Mr. Nichols SECONDED.

VOTE: 4-0-0

V. Old Business

1. Town Manager’s Report

Mr. Welch presented his weekly report to the Board.

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General discussion on the report and the following topics: the public needs to take a look at the solid waste and recycle ordinance, agenda on website by Friday afternoon, progress on meeting with candidates and Attorney Higgins, congratulations to Chris Silver and sale of fire alarm boxes.

Mr. Welch added that the Town has received an invitation to potentially participate in a major single source recycling effort being conducted by an organization here in the State. Nothing is set in stone but there have been talks with the Concord Cooperative whose plant should be going online about the same time that the Town's contract expires with Waste Management. They will pay the Town for the recycling, collecting cans both aluminum and steel, all paper types and will also collect all 7 types of plastic. No commitments have been made and it cost nothing to join.

Mr. Lally wondered who gave a private company permission to hawk their way as of the gazebo. Mr. Welch explained that it was the new telephone provider and that they had received a license both from the Town and State. He also believed that they were just handing out information and not selling anything.

Mr. Nichols updated the Board on last Tuesday nights Budget Committee meeting. Mr. Welch asked if the Board would like to interview departments on budgets starting next week. The Board agreed that yes they would like to start with the departments next week.

VI. New Business

Mr. Nichols gave a summary of the warrant articles to the Board including the dollar value attached. None of the warrant articles raised any red flags with the Board. Mr. Bateman complimented Mr. Welch on the verbiage and the presentation.

Mr. Workman questioned the work that is being done at School House Park on the corner of Winnacunnet and Locke Road. The past two Saturday's a group has been there working and has done a great job. This past weekend a Rec. Truck was present but Mr. Workman is wondering whom the other individuals are, Mr. Welch will find this out and report back to the Board.

VII. Consent Agenda

1. 144 Ashworth Avenue "Wally's Pub" Parade & Public Gathering Licenses and Entertainment License
2. 430 High Street "Victorian Inn" Entertainment License

Mr. Bateman MOTIONED to move the consent agenda. Mr. Workman SECONDED.

VOTE: 4-0-0

VIII. Closing Comments – No Comment.

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IX. Adjournment

Mr. Bateman MOTIONED to adjourn and reconvene for a Non-Public meeting under RSA 91-A:3, II (a) and (c) Grievance Hearing and a Non-Meeting with Counsel – RSA 91-A: 2, I, c. Mr. Workman SECONDED.

VOTE: 4-0-0

Meeting adjourned at 08:15 PM

Chairman